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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
NOTIFICATION

JOINT DEFENCE COUNCIL

*New Delhi, the 1st December 1947*

**No. 2833.**—The following notification is published on behalf of Joint Defence Council:—

**THE JOINT DEFENCE COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 1947**

**WHEREAS** in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 9 of the Indian Independence Act, 1947, the Governor-General was pleased to make the Joint Defence Council Order, 1947 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Order");

**AND WHEREAS** sub-section (5) of section 19 of the said Act provides that any power conferred by that Act to make any Order includes power to revoke or vary any Order previously made in the exercise of that power;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in the exercise of the powers aforesaid and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, the Governor-General of India and the Governor-General of Pakistan, acting jointly, are pleased to make the following Order:—

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Joint Defence Council (Amendment) Order, 1947.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. For clauses (i) to (iv) of paragraph (2) of Article 3 of the principal Order, the following clauses shall be substituted:—

"(i) the person who at the commencement of this Order is the Governor-General of India,

(ii) the Defence Minister and another Minister of India, and

(iii) the Defence Minister and another Minister of Pakistan."

3. In Article 4 of the principal Order, for the words "Governor-General of India" the words, brackets and figures "person referred to in clause (i) of paragraph (2) of Article 3" shall be substituted.

4. Article 5 of the principal Order shall be omitted.

5. In Article 6 of the principal Order, the word "Defence" at both the places where it occurs in paragraph (1) and the whole of paragraph (2) shall be omitted.

6. For Article 7 of the principal Order, the following Article shall be substituted, namely:—

“7. At every meeting of the Joint Defence Council,—

(a) there shall be present in an advisory capacity one at least of the officers in chief command of the three Defence Services of each Dominion;

(b) the Defence or other Minister of either Dominion shall be entitled to call in one or more experts to assist in an advisory capacity.”

7 In Article 8 of the principal Order,—

(i) for paragraphs (d) and (e), the following paragraphs shall be substituted, namely:—

“(d) the policy governing the production of Military stores and equipment in ordnance factories (including the allocation of the whole or any part of the capacity of any ordnance factory for such production) and the disposal of all military stores and equipment produced in ordnance factories;

(e) the Engineer Stores and Plant Executive Committee, the Ordnance Stores Sub-committee (Reconstitution), the Air Force Division of Stocks Equipment Committee and the Historical Section;”;

(ii) paragraphs (f), (g) and (h) and the provisos shall be omitted

8 Articles 10, 11 12 and 14 of the principal Order shall be omitted

MOUNTBATTEN OF BURMA,

*Governor-General of India.*

M. A. JINNAH,

*Governor-General of Pakistan.*